

Claims

- [c1] A donation engine which is configured to facilitate:
providing access to a plurality of government approved charities;
searching for at least one of said charities; and
receiving donation information including recurring billing information, donor information, and donation amount.
- [c2] The engine of claim 1 wherein said donation engine is located in an online environment.
- [c3] The engine of claim 1 wherein said donation information further includes loyalty point donation information.
- [c4] The engine of claim 1 wherein said donation information further includes gift matching information.
- [c5] The engine of claim 1, wherein said providing access to a plurality of government approved charities includes providing access to all government approved 501(c) charities.
- [c6] The engine of claim 1, wherein said providing access to a plurality of government approved charities includes pro-

viding access to all government approved 501(c) charities via a donation portal.

- [c7] A donation method, said method comprising:
accessing an online donation portal, wherein said donation portal is configured to provide access to a plurality of government approved charities;
searching for at least one of said charities using a search function of said donation portal; and,
entering donation information into said donation portal, wherein donation information includes recurring billing information, donor information, and donation amount.
- [c8] The method of claim 7 wherein said donation information further includes loyalty point donation information.
- [c9] The method of claim 7 wherein said donation information further includes gift matching information.
- [c10] A donation method, said method comprising:
accessing at least one of a plurality of accessible government approved charities;
receiving donation information for at least one of said charities, wherein donation information includes loyalty point information, donor information, and donation amount; and
verifying said loyalty point information.

- [c11] The method of claim 10 wherein said receiving donation information further includes receiving recurring billing information.
- [c12] The method of claim 10 wherein said receiving donation information further includes receiving gift matching information.
- [c13] The method of claim 10, wherein said accessing at least one of a plurality of accessible government approved charities includes accessing at least one of all government approved 501(c) charities.
- [c14] The method of claim 10, wherein said accessing at least one of a plurality of accessible government approved charities includes accessing at least one of all government approved 501(c) charities via a donation portal.
- [c15] The method of claim 10, wherein verifying loyalty point information includes communicating with at least one third party, said third party including at least one of a financial institution, a charity, a loyalty point issuer, and a government entity authorized to approve charities.
- [c16] An online donation method, said method comprising:
 - accessing at least one of a plurality of accessible government approved charities;

receiving donation information for at least one of said charities, wherein said donation information includes gift matching information, donor information, and donation amount; and
verifying said gift matching information.

[c17] The method of claim 16 wherein said donation information includes loyalty point donation information.

[c18] The method of claim 16 wherein said donation information further includes recurring billing information.

[c19] The method of claim 16 wherein accessing includes providing at least one of listing capabilities, searching capabilities and selecting capabilities.

[c20] The method of claim 16 wherein verifying gift matching information includes communicating with at least one third party, said third party including at least one of an employer, a financial institution, and the Internal Revenue Service.